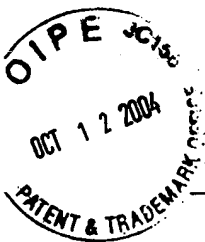


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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Office Action dated August 30, 2004 for a period of 1 month.

Please charge the \$ 55.00 fee to our American Express card. A Credit Card Payment Form is attached. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

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